

## THE WEATHER

Tonight and Wednesday Showers.  
Colder tonight.

## TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

## METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	91 5/8
Copper	88 1/2
Lead	8 1/2
Quicksilver	\$1.08

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## FLIES FROM NEW YORK TO ENGLAND WITH 12

## New Silver Bill Will Fix Price of Metal at \$1 per Ounce

TELLS BRITONS SACRIFICES ARE  
NEEDED TO STEM HUNS' ATTACKSCharacterizes Battle of Cambrai as  
Trivial as Compared to  
Present One

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—Premier Lloyd George told the house of commons that the combatant strength of the German army on the western front was approximately equal to the total entente when the Somme battle opened. He said his man-power proposal would involve extreme sacrifices by part of the population of Britain. He characterized the Cam-

brai battle as trivial compared to the recent battle. He said until the strain is relaxed it will be difficult to determine exactly what has happened. We have entered the most critical period of the war. There is a lull in the storm, but the hurricane is not over. The fate of the empire, Europe and liberty may depend on our success. The premier said the Irish convention report had been laid on the table today.

INFANTRY INACTIVE  
ALONG FRENCH FRONT

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, April 9.—There was violent artillery last night north of Mont Didier and between Mont Didier and Noyon. The infantry was inactive. The French advanced troops south of the Oise and withdrew to prepared position southwest of the lower forest of Coudy and south of Coudy and Lechateau.

HUNS SHELLING THE  
LINES OF ALLIES

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—There was great German artillery activity early today along the British front from the La Bassée canal to south of Arras. There was also heavy hostile shelling in the neighborhood of Cillers, Bretonneux and Mericourt Luxabbe.

FRENCH CUT DOWN  
DAILY BREAD RATION

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Henceforth the bread ration throughout France will be: For children less than 3 years, three and one-half ounces; hard workers, this class may receive three and half more; over 60, seven ounces. This ration is about two-thirds of the allowance heretofore maintained.

## TURKS IN RUSSIA

(By Associated Press.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, April 9.—(Via London, April 7.)—Turkish troops are advancing over a wide front in the Caucasus, says an official statement issued from the Turkish war office, virtually all of Turkish Armenia having been cleared of the Russians. After violent fighting the announcement says the Turks occupied Ardahan and positions west of Sarikamish, Russian town in trans-Caucasus and they crossed the ancient Russo-Turkish frontier in the direction of Batum on the Black sea.

## ADOPT REPORT

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—Premier Lloyd George said the report of the Irish convention was adopted by only a small majority and therefore the government would take the responsibility for such proposals of self-government as were just and that could be carried out without violent controversy.

## CONTRACT FOR STEEL

(By Associated Press.)

STOCKHOLM, April 9.—The Swedish state railways have contracted with German steel companies for 80,000 tons of rails at a cost of \$6,500,000. This represents the requirements of the railways for the next three years.

## CUT DOWN ADVERTISING

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Future railroad publicity and advertising will be submitted to information needed by the public, under orders from Secretary McAdoo.

## SUSPEND PORKLESS DAYS

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The food administration authorized indefinite suspension of porkless Tuesday in California, effective immediately.

PITTMAN INTRODUCES BILL FIXING  
PRICE OF SILVER AT ONE DOLLARProvides That Secretary May Take from  
the Treasury 250,000,000 Silver  
Dollars and Pay \$1.00 per  
Ounce for Bullion

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Senator Pittman introduced an emergency war measure bill today proposing the melting into bullion a quarter of a billion silver dollars that are now in the treasury for sale and export and to pay trade balances and repurchase silver at \$1 an ounce. Silver certificates are to be withdrawn when the dollars are taken from circulation and federal reserve bank notes are to be substituted. The measure would fix the price of silver at several cents above the present market.

Director of the Mint Baker, anticipating the congressional action, has arranged with producers and dealers to sell to the government for \$1 an ounce. This will probably result in the government absorbing the country's entire output. The United States produced seventy-four million ounces last year.

Officials stated that they would make arrangements to supply the silver requirements of jewelers and manufacturers. The bill would permit Secretary McAdoo to fix the price of government silver. It is assumed that this will not be less than \$1. India, China and Japan need silver most for coinage. Quantities might also be exported to South American and European neutrals whose trade balances are against the United States. The treasurer now holds four hundred and ninety-one million ounces. Secretary McAdoo wrote Senator Pittman supporting the bill as a war measure, although he suggested there might be a wide difference of opinion on the best method of replacing silver certificates with other currency. No silver dollars have been coined since 1904. For half dollars the government's needs this year will be about twenty-one million ounces.

(Special to the Bonanza)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—A bill fixing the price of silver at \$1 an ounce was introduced in the United States senate today, with the approval of the treasury department.

BOND OF FRIENDSHIP  
GROWING STRONGER

(By Associated Press.)

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, April 9.—Deputy Don Cornelio Saavedra, who has just returned from a seven months trip in the United States, has predicted in an interview that the United States is planning to make its relations with Chile closer after the war.

"The situation between Chile and the United States is very satisfactory," said Mr. Saavedra. "Personalities of the first rank, such as Mr. McAdoo, are trying to bring the two countries closer together and it is certain that as soon as the war is over a large amount of capital will come into Chile from the United States to promote industry and commerce."

Mr. Saavedra is trying to persuade the government or business interests to establish a Chilean commercial agency in New York.

## OVERSUBSCRIBE LOAN

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—Coalitions and seven other California cities have been awarded honor flags for loan oversubscriptions.

by Senator Key Pittman of Nevada. The bill also provides that the secretary of the treasury may withdraw from the treasury 250,000,000 silver dollars to be melted into bullion and used to settle our trade balances with Great Britain, Japan, China and India. The director of the mint is authorized and directed to purchase sufficient silver bullion to re-coin and replace the silver dollars thus taken out of the treasury by the secretary and pay therefore \$1 per ounce. The bill also carries other provisions to provide against the contraction of the currency and for the security of silver certificates.

If this bill becomes a law it will not only permit the government to retain its gold and settle its trade balances in silver at a dollar or more an ounce, but it will be of inestimable value to the silver producers. It will give silver a fixed market value of \$1 an ounce. It will stabilize and free silver from market manipulations for at least a year and probably for much longer. It will take away from a few brokers in London the power they have been utilizing of arbitrarily fixing the price of silver. It will establish a precedent for the regulation of the price of silver by the United States that will never be abandoned. It will give a greater money use to silver and dignify the metal. It will justify the larger development of existing mines and the reopening of old and abandoned properties, and the prospecting for new ones. It is the first step taken by the government in twenty-five years looking to the protection of silver and the bill is introduced with the approval of the secretary of the treasury, the director of the mint, the war export board, the silver producers and the western senators.

The circumstances leading up to this consummation have been very exciting. In the latter part of November the press of the country carried news items to the effect that the federal reserve board was about to fix a maximum price for silver at 86 cents an ounce. The west became immediately aroused, as the establishment of such a price, by reason of the constant increase in the cost of production of silver,

would mean the closing down of many mines. The depreciation of silver from \$1.15 to 85 cents an ounce in two weeks' time had just been witnessed. It was apparent that only the government could protect the silver industry against the attacks of foreign governments. Government Emmet D. Boyle of the state of Nevada called a meeting of silver producers and wired to various western governors urging similar action upon their part. The meeting called by Governor Boyle appointed a committee to go to Washington and present the matter to the treasury department. This committee immediately wired Ray Baker, director of the mint, asking that action be deferred until it could be heard, which request was granted. Negotiations were carried on at Washington for several weeks. These negotiations were participated in by a number of western senators, Governor Boyle, Mr. Symmes and Mr. S. H. Brady of Nevada, and other representatives of the silver producers on the one side, and Mr. Ray Baker, director of the mint, representing the treasury department, and Mr. Oscar Straus representing the war export board, on the other side. It was difficult to convince Mr. Straus, who is an eastern banker, that as much as one dollar an ounce would be necessary to pay for silver in order to maintain the production. Mr. Baker, director of the mint, maintained an opinion with regard to the subject, although the effective aid that he rendered those representing the silver producers and the further fact that he is a resident of Nevada, a great silver producing state, rather impeded his open activities. The arguments, however, which were principally made by Senator Pittman, Governor Boyle, Mr. Symmes and Mr. Brady, together with the incontrovertible facts and statistics presented, in the end thoroughly satisfied even Mr. Straus that \$1 an ounce was a fair price to fix upon silver.

The government requires a large quantity of silver at the present time and this is the only method that could be devised through which it could be obtained. The bill, therefore, is of equal interest to the government and to the silver producers.

OVERSUBSCRIBE THE  
THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Secretary McAdoo has called for 20,000,000 subscribers to the third Liberty loan. This would mean exceeding the three billion goal by one or two billion.

Telegrams to loan headquarters indicated that many loan committees have raised their quotas voluntarily. Honor roll communities which have already oversubscribed continue to grow. San Francisco reported that sixty-five communities of the twelfth reserve district have claimed honor flags.

## KULTUR FOR INDIA

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, April 9.—A German Indian society has been organized in Berlin, according to the Cologne Gazette. A dispatch says that Germany's relations with the near east after the war will be greatly expanded for political as well as commercial reasons. One purpose of the society is announced to be the cultivation of "our cultural relations with India."

WHEAT CROP BRINGS  
JOY TO HOOVERITES

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Forecast by the department of agriculture yesterday of a winter wheat crop of 560,000,000 bushels this year brought optimism to the food administration, and the prediction was unofficially made that if the spring wheat crop maintained the same ratio the next harvest will furnish sufficient wheat to take care of the needs of this country and the allies next year.

The forecast indicates an increase of 142,000,000 bushels of winter wheat over last year's winter crop, which was 418,000,000 bushels. Assuming the spring wheat crop will yield the same ratio of increase, there will be a total crop of 800,000,000, or an increase of about 200,000,000 bushels over last year when the entire crop was estimated at 600,000,000.

## CHARGED WITH ROBBERY

(By Associated Press.)

SACRAMENTO, April 9.—James and Ira Wray, twin brothers, charged with robbing the Palcedro (California) postoffice, were brought here from Redding.

ALL LONDON DISCUSSING RUMOR  
OF AIRPLANE FLIGHT TO ENGLANDAmerican Said to Have Have Carried  
Twelve Passengers Across  
the Ocean

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—All London is discussing the latest war rumor. It is the landing in England of an American airplane direct from New York, carrying twelve passengers.

The authorities have denied it but this served merely to give the story additional currency. The popular version is that this is the "big surprise" that Premier Lloyd George said the Americans would soon give the Germans.

BOLO PASHA GETS  
NEW LEASE ON LIFE

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, April 9.—The Matin says that Bolo Pasha, sentenced to death for treason, has made revelations of the highest importance which is the beginning of another important case developing in connection with German propaganda in France. Bolo Pash was reprieved yesterday.

MINERS ENTOMBED  
BY GAS EXPLOSION

(By Associated Press.)

HARTFORD, Ark., April 9.—Eight miners were entombed today in a Hartford Valley Fuel company mine explosion due to gas. Robert Barr, quart owner, was rescued. He was burned slightly. The explosion took place at the bottom of the hundred and eighty-foot shaft.

GRAVE QUESTION  
BEFORE PARLIMENT

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 9.—Parliament re-assembled today after the Easter recess with two questions of the greatest importance on its hands. They are the new military service bill raising the age limit eight years and the problem of government for Ireland. Lloyd George will make the opening speech. Question probably will be asked about the present position of the Versailles war council. General Sir Henry Wawlinson, British representative, was given command of the fifth army against which the Germans made their principal gains recently, in place of General Gough, who commanded in the first days of the battle. No announcement of Rawlinson's successor has been made. This has caused the belief that General Foch as commander in chief on the western front has superseded the Versailles council in having direction of the military operations.

## COMMENTS COMMANDERS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Secretary Daniels has issued a letter commending three commanders, naval guards and American merchantmen of the manner in which they acquitted themselves in resisting submarine attacks. It included Don Ripley, chief boatswain's mate of San Diego.

## LIQUOR ELECTIONS

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—In the liquor elections of yesterday Venice remained wet. Needles is the last wet spot in San Bernardino county. Watts apparently voted dry.

## TO LOAN GREECE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The United States will lend Greece \$44,000,000 when the Greek parliament passes the necessary legislation.

## AVIATOR KILLED

(By Associated Press.)

DALLAS, Tex., April 9.—Cadet John Insinger of Greenleaf, Colo., was instantly killed today in the American aviation camp. Two machines collided at an altitude of 500 feet.

## WILL FURNISH LEAD

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The lead industry has agreed to furnish the government between six and ten million tons of lead at an average price of 7 cents per pound.

## QUAKE DESTROYS HOUSES

(By Associated Press.)

HONG KONG, April 9.—Details of the earthquake disaster at Swatow, February 17, published in the China Mail, indicates that almost every house in the Chinese quarter of the town was demolished and that the European district suffered so badly that it will probably be necessary to rebuild most if not all the houses.

The first shock was felt at about 2 p. m. This seems to have prepared the buildings for their final and complete collapse. The second shock at about 10:30 p. m. brought the buildings tumbling about the inhabitants' ears. Between the two minor shocks were continual ones and it was only due to many of the inhabitants deserting their houses that the casualties were not greater.

## PUT PREACHER IN JAIL

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The Rev. Floyd Hardin of Modesto, Cal., a pastor, was arrested today at Modesto on charges of violating the espionage act, federal authorities said. It is alleged he circulated a book "More Prussian than Prussia" which is said to be a severe arraignment of the government and high administration officials.

## REQUIRE DRY ZONE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 9.—An amendment to the order declaring a dry zone around the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., the training stations at Great Lakes, Ill., Norfolk, Va., and Hampton Roads and Newport, R. I., the training camp at Mare Island, Calif., and the marine corps stations at Quantico, Va., and Fort Royal, S. C., was approved yesterday by Secretary Daniels.

BUTLER  
THEATRE

## TO-NIGHT

GEORGE WALSH  
The popular Fox star, in  
"JACK SPURLOCK—  
PRODIGAL"

Funniest picture ever screened.  
See the 400-pound bear act  
Saturday Evening Post story—  
read by millions of people  
Ford Educational Weekly  
Always Good  
One Matinee, Two Night Shows

## TOMORROW

MAE MARSH  
The Screen's greatest actress  
in  
"THE BELOVED TRAITOR"  
Standing of Contestants  
Announced  
One night show after  
Patriotic Parade

## TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1918	1917
5 a. m.	48	30
9 a. m.	54	33
12 noon	61	42
Maximum April 8	65	63
Minimum April 8	42	43
Relative humidity at noon today	56 per cent.	